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In response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 1998, kindly enter the following amendments and selections of nucleotide sequences.

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

1. (Amended) A purified single-stranded DNA comprising [any of the nucleotide sequences listed under SEQ. ID NO. 1-7837] a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO. 563, SEQ ID NO. 709, SEQ ID NO. 1017, SEQ ID NO. 1219, SEQ ID NO. 1320, SEQ ID NO. 1449, SEQ ID NO. 2058, SEQ ID NO. 2965, SEQ ID NO. 3084, and SEQ ID NO. 4937.

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